GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PROCUREMENT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS BY NAFED
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NAFED has received requests from States to purchase agricultural products to protect the farmers from distress sale;

(b) if so, the details of such requests, State-wise; and

(c) the reaction of the NAFED on each of such requests?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The following requests have been received by NAFED for procurement under Price Support Scheme (PSS):-

State	Commodity
Rajasthan	Mustard seed, Soyabean
Madhya Pradesh	Mustard seed, Sunflower seed, Soyabean
Andhra Pradesh	Soyabean, Copra
Karnataka	Copra, Safflower seed, Sunflower seed, Soyabean
Tamil Nadu	Copra
Kerala	Copra

In addition, the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation also received requestsfor Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) in respect of Oilpalm, Potato, Apple, Kinnow/Malta, red chillies and onions from the States of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka,Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Goa.

(c): NAFED intervened immediately and made the purchases wherever, the pricesfell below the Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed by the Government. The details are given at Annexure-I & II.

Annexure-I

Procurement of Oilseeds under Price Support Scheme by NAFED during 1999- 2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 (up to 31.7.2001)

Sl.No.	Commodity	MSP (Rs. per Qtl.)	Qty. Procured (in MTs)	Value in (Rs. crores)
	1999-2000			
1.	Soyabean	845	5,01,000	455.29
2.	Sunflower seed	1155	48,021	60.59
3.	Groundnut	1220	151	0.19
	2000-2001			
4.	Soyabean	865	54,745	52.01
5.	Mustard seed	1100	2,45,056	296.52
6.	Safflower seed	1100	6.582	7.96
7	Sunflower seed	1170	19,487	25.72
8.	Groundnut	1220	28,989	40.00
9.	Copra milling	3250/3300		

Copra Ball 3500/3550 2,32,293 778.18

2001-2002

10. Mustard seed 1200 3,30,000 435.00
11. Safflower seed 1200 3,000 3.96

Annexure-II

Market Intervention Scheme implemented during 1999-2000, 2000,2001 and 2001-2002 (up to 31.7.2001)

Sl.No. Commodity State Year Market Intervention Price Quantity approved Remarks

1. Oilpalm A.P. 1999-2000 & 2000-2001 2750 per MT 65000 Procurement completed

2. Oilpalm Karnataka 1999-2000 & 2000-2001 2750 per MT 5000 -do-

3. Onion Maharashtra 1999-2000 250 65000 -do-

4. Kinno/malta/galgal H.P. 1999-2000 425 (B grade) 365 (C grade) 250 galgal 350 -do-

5. Apple (kinnaure) H.P. 2000-2001 1000 per kg. (A grade) 16000 3048 MTs actually procured
6. Potato Punjab 2000-2001 200 17000 No procurement was made

7 Apples (culled) Him Pradesh 2000-2001 15.7.2000 to 15.11.2000 375 44,000 Procurement completed

8. Red Chillies Andhra Pradesh 2001 season (20.3.01 to 30.6.01) 2400 15,000 601 MTs actually procured

9. Oilpalm Andhra Pradesh 2001 season (1.3.01 to 31.10.01) 2750 per MT 1,05,000 Procurement continuing
10. Oilpalm Karnataka 2001-02 (1.4.01 to 31.12.01) 2750 per MT 8,000 -do-
11. Potato Karnataka 2000 season The State Govt. sought for approval of MIS for potato with retrospective effect which has not been agreed to.
12. Arecanut Goa 2001 season Proposal is under process.